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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF PODIATRY
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Cannon Building, Second Floor- Conference Room B
MINUTES APPROVED:	July 15, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Jeffrey Barton, Professional Member
Dr. Christopher Savage, Professional Member
Dr. Raymond Feehery, Professional Member
Nathaniel Gibbs, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Allison Reardon, Deputy Attorney General
Renee' Holt, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Barton called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the November 19, 2009 Board Meeting for approval. Dr. Savage made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gibbs to approve the meeting minutes as amended. The motion was unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Board reviewed the application for licensure by reciprocity of Dr. Larry M. Bernhard and sought legal counsel from Ms. Reardon. Ms. Reardon advised that Dr. Bernhard's disciplinary history in the State of Maryland provided a basis to propose to deny his license under the provisions of 24 Del. C. § 508(a)(4). After counsel was given by Ms. Reardon, Dr. Barton made a motion, seconded by Dr. Savage to propose to deny the application of Dr. Larry M. Bernhard based on his disciplinary history. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board continued to develop an updated strategic plan for 2010 through 2011. After discussion, including counsel by Ms. Reardon, the Board determined not to make any changes to the crimes list at this time.

The Board continued to discuss other revisions to its statute. Dr. Barton discussed the draft revisions to the statute that had been started by former Board President, Dr. Lightcap and former board member Dr. Contompasis. Dr. Barton provided the board members and counsel with a copy of the marked up draft. Dr. Barton summarized that the overall changes would bring the statute up to date with terminology currently being used in the profession. Ms. Reardon stated some of the changes have already been included in current changes already being addressed in the Board's revision of the statute. Ms. Reardon recommended the Board review the document provided by Dr. Barton and the current draft of statute revisions side by side to compare what has already been addressed and what still needed discussion. The Board discussed the changes and Ms. Reardon updated the Board's draft to correspond with the changes agreed to by the Board, including but not limited to the removal of the definitions of electrical, manipulative, mechanical, medical and surgical treatment from the definitions section of the regulations. Dr. Barton suggested that rather than do line by line changes at the meeting, each Board member should review the document individually and then bring it back and discuss any changes or questions at the next meeting. The Board agreed to continue the review at the next meeting following Dr. Barton's suggested approach.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Officers

Dr. Barton nominated Dr. Savage for President, seconded by Dr. Feehery. The motion was unanimously approved. There being no other nominations, the Board voted unanimously for Dr. Savage to hold the office of President.

Dr. Barton nominated Dr. Feehery for Secretary, seconded by Mr. Gibbs. The motion was unanimously approved. There being no other nominations, the Board voted unanimously for Dr. Feehery to hold the office of Secretary.

Office terms will begin at the July 15, 2010 meeting and run for 1 year. Election of Officers will be held in the Spring of 2011.

Ms. Holt will provide a list of Board members with term expirations to the Board electronically.

Ratification of Licensure List

Dr. Feehery made a motion to ratify the license issuance of Dr. Andrew S. Nguyen as a Podiatrist-In-Training, seconded by Dr. Barton. The motion was unanimously approved.

Review of Application for Podiatrist – Direct

Dr. Barton amended the agenda to add the review of the application for Dr. Megha Patel.

Dr. Savage made a motion to accept the applications of Travis J. Dwyer, Heather Rafal, and Megha Patel pending completion of the residency and receipt of the certificate of completion. Dr. Feehery seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously.

Complaints

Complaint # 15-01-10 was assigned to Dr. Savage. Dr. Savage confirmed receipt of the complaint.

Continuing Education

Dr. Barton made motion, seconded by Dr. Savage to approve the applications for CME as shown below. The motion carried by a majority vote with Dr. Feehery abstaining.

DE Orthopaedic Symposium for 3.5 CME hours
Gait and Foot Function Analysis Seminar for 11 CME hours
Podiatric Lecture Series – Christiana Care Health Services – 12/3/09 for 2.0 CME hours
Podiatric Lecture Series – Christiana Care Health Services – 3/23/10 for 2.0 CME hours

Other Business Before the Board (for discussion only)

Dr. Barton read a letter from NBPME to change the date of Part III of the examination for board certification for Podiatry. Dr. Barton contacted the NBPME and confirmed the changes fell in line with the current statute.

Public Comment

None.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled board meeting is July 15, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. in Conference Room “B” of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware, 19904.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Dr. Barton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gibbs to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Renee' M. Holt
Administrative Specialist II